



THE SALEM ART ASSOCIATION STUDIO 2023 ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE PROGRAM

DESCRIPTION

The Salem Art Association (SAA) is offering a 2023 Artist-in-Residence (AIR) Program in the SAA Studio. The attached Annex space is ideal for art workshops, exhibitions, classes, and other programming which evolves with the needs of the community.

The mission of the Studio and Annex leans toward providing space experimentation. Individuals and collaborations with artists at all stages in their careers are welcomed. BIPOC, LGBTQ+, Veteran, and other underrepresented communities are strongly urged to apply and are welcomed.

The SAA Artist in Residence program is intended to offer:

- An experimental space for artists to develop their work and collaborate.
- An opportunity for the community to engage with working artists. The Studio is generally viewable by the public during SAA open hours. A sliding wall can either open or enclose the space for public viewing/access.
- General professional development support for artists.
- An exhibition in SAA's Focus Gallery for one month.

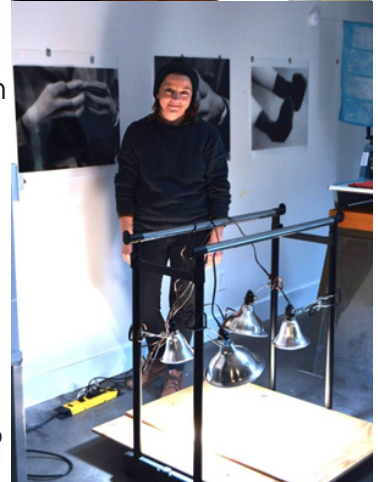
No stipend or financial support is currently available. Artists provide their own housing, materials, meals, and transportation. SAA strives to maintain a balance between supporting emerging and established artists. A key is given to the artist so that the Studio can be utilized outside of open hours, as this opportunity is available to everyone including those who are employed full time and can only utilize the space in the evenings, or those who are managing children, and so on.

2023 RESIDENCIES

All artists, of any medium, may apply for the February/March and June/July openings. SAA prefers a non-toxic environment, and is committed to physical and bodily health and safety.

SEPTEMBER ZINE ARTIST IN RESIDENCE – NEW

A multi-pronged group of programs are scheduled for 2023, with a Zine Show in the Focus Gallery in September 2023. We are looking for a zine artist to work on site in the SAA Studio during that time. The AIR zine artist will be invited to have zines in the Zine Show.



2023 Residency Dates IN STUDIO:

February
June
September

2023 Focus Gallery Exhibition Dates IN FOCUS GALLERY:

March
July
September Zine Show

Application Due Date

Due December 15, 2022
Due January 15, 2023
Due June 15, 2023



The Bush Barn Art Center & Annex. 600 Mission St. SE, Salem, OR 97302



BUSH HOUSE MUSEUM

The historic Bush House Museum, walking distance from the Bush Barn Art Center and Annex, is available as an inspirational starting point for art making activities in the SAA Studio. Creative exploration may focus on local histories, period furnishings and decorative, arts or the specific interests of the Artist-in-Residence. For information on how you might engage with the Bush House Museum during your residency, contact Ross Sutherland, Director of Archives & Collections at Ross@BushHouseMuseum.org or 503-363-4714. Open to a range of mediums. Please note if this option is of interest for you.

ONGOING RESIDENCY OPPORTUNITIES

In addition to the scheduled AIR slots, we seek to have artists actively using the Annex Studio throughout the year whenever possible... so please send in proposals for other ideas or time frames you might be interested in! Call or email us at Kathleen@SalemArt.org

FACILITY DESCRIPTION

The SAA Studio is located in the Annex at the Salem Art Association/Bush Barn Art Center, located in picturesque Bush's Pasture Park, just outside downtown Salem. Completely renovated in 2016, the studio can accommodate printmaking and artists working in a variety of media. Separated from the studio by two, large sliding doors (which can be left open to encourage public interaction while working), is a large main Annex gallery for exhibitions and workshops. The Studio is approximately 348 square feet, and the main Annex space is approximately 741 square feet.

The Studio has a door that enters the space from the outside and another sliding door inside, a window, a skylight and track lighting. There are storage cabinets along one wall. There is a print-making press in the studio space, available for use. The press is a Dick Blick Master Etch. The bed is 23 inches wide.

Several tables (8 foot) and chairs are available. The studio contains a ventilation booth with hood, washout sink, and a double sink. Wifi is also available in the space.

Salem Art Association hours of operation can vary throughout the year, but are posted on our website at www.SalemArt.org. Artists will receive a key with which they can access the studio. There are some limitations to what can be accomplished in the facility, for example there is currently no darkroom, no glass or ceramic facility, and the consideration of sound in close proximity to others.

AGREEMENT THAT THE AIR ARTIST WILL:

- Offer a community engagement component (such as brown bag lunch, slide show, lecture, workshop for youth...).
- Work 15-20 or more hours per week in the studio. If you have a full time job, don't worry, you have a key and code, and can use the Studio at your convenience!
- Read the Art Safety Manual and adhere to use of materials as discussed. Practice safe studio practices if there is use of solvents and/or chemicals and follow specific protocols which will be reviewed with the artist.
- Sign an agreement with SAA regarding professional goals, personal conduct, and agreement to follow safe studio practices and procedures. Any inappropriate behavior will unilaterally terminate the agreement.
- Leave the space and equipment undamaged. Walls clean and if necessary repainted, floor clean, etc.

- Complete artwork which will be exhibited in the Focus Gallery. If you are applying for an AIR outside of this option, this does not apply.

APPLICATION MATERIALS *(Please contact Kathleen Dinges Rice for assistance as needed, we are happy to discuss! Any combination that shares your ideas are great! You don't need all of what is listed below.)*

You can also submit this information online at <https://airtable.com/shrrcN4ISlzkTBLU>

- Business or group name
- First and last name
- Email
- Current city and state
- Primary phone
- Residency month. Please apply for each month separately.
- Biography and artist statement. Tell us a little bit about yourself.
- Proposed ideas toward exhibition. Share your thoughts on your project and the possible resulting exhibition. Final exhibitio can depend on the work that is created in the AIR.
- How will this AIR support the making of new work for you?
- Please describe a community engagement project you would be interested in. For example artist talk, working with youth, open studio, etc...
- Two references
- Work samples including links
- Curriculum Vitae or CV (optional)
- Photo/headshot
- Provide a list of any chemical materials, tools or potentially hazardous materials you may use and how materials will be safely disposed of. A solvent garbage can/will be provided. Ventilation is provided by windows and doors and a ventilation booth with hood.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The AIR Committee consists of staff at Salem Art Association and previous AIR participants as applicable.

- How SAA can support area artists and how meaningful this AIR could be for the artist.
- Artistic quality of artwork and merit of proposal idea.
- The amount of risk the artist will be taking in their own art practice, or the experimental nature of the proposed work will be considered.
- Ability to engage with community in a dynamic way.

SUBMISSIONS

Please send digital submissions to Kathleen Dinges Rice, Artists Resources and Outreach Director, at Kathleen@SalemArt.org. Mailed submission should be sent to:

Kathleen Dinges Rice
600 Mission Street SE
Salem, OR 97302

QUESTIONS?

Please feel free to contact Kathleen at anytime with any questions at 503-581-2228 x312 or the e-mail listed above.